

January 29, 2012

To: County of St. Paul  
c/o Alphonse Corbriere

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN :

St. Lina will be celebrating its centennial on the weekend of July 8, 2012. The roots of St. Lina began in 1912. In its "heyday", the town had two grocery stores, a hotel, a bowling alley, church, and hall, a school from grades 1 to 12, a pool hall, auto repair and welding shop and the beginnings of a 4-H Club. Things changed over the years, but the spirit of the pioneers remains even today. The St. Lina 4-H Beef Club will also be celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. The Beef Club has members from St. Lina, Mallaig, Sugden and McRae. It boasts of 30+ members on a yearly basis and is an integral part of the St. Paul & District Show & Sale every June in St. Paul. Our Ag Society is very active with enough members and volunteers to cater weddings and special events. Every year in February, we host a "Heart & Stroke" family event with all proceeds going to the St. Paul hospital (cardiac unit). Recently a Canadian Foods Grain Bank Project called the "Acres of Hope" was created with members from St. Lina, Mallaig and St. Vincent. Members of

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our community have been very involved in this project and will be for many years to come. St. Linea takes its social responsibility very seriously.

We would like to inform you of our planned project and event. We are currently getting quotes on a Centennial sign which will be made of concrete & display the years 1912-2012 and the town name. The cost of this sign is about \$10,000.00. On the weekend of July 6-7-8 we plan a Friday evening welcoming with a bonfire & wrenner roast. Saturday will consist of neighborly reminicing, a banquet @ 6pm for Centennial presentations & a dance. Sunday will consist of a church service, other events and a farewell home and safe travel.

Please consider this an invitation to have a representative join us as a special guest. Any funding that you may be able to provide, would be considered a bonus and appreciated. I remain,

Yours truly,  
Norbert Dechaine

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Committee Chair